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PATENT APPLICATION OF

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated December 19, 2002, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

(Currently Amended) A semiconductor device comprising:

a body region of a first conductivity type formed in a semiconductor substrate and having a major surface opposite to a surface shared between the semiconductor substrate and the body region;

a plurality of trench gates extending through the body region; \mathcal{Q}

a plurality of first semiconductor regions of a second conductivity type that is different from the first conductivity type, the first semiconductor regions having a first depth as measured from said major surface of the body region, at least a portion of the first semiconductor regions flanking the trench gates on both of their sides and being in contact with said trench gates via films bordering and insulating the trench gates; and

a plurality of second semiconductor regions of the second conductivity type having a second depth as measured from said major surface of the body region that is less than the first

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